GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
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Financial Support by UNICEF for ICDS Scheme
Subbareddy Shri Yerram Venkata

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the United Nation International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF) had been earlier extending financial support for Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme but now it has limited its assistance only to technical support;

(b) if so, the reasons for stopping the financial support;

(c) whether the Government in collaboration with UNICEF has conducted a survey about implementation of ICDS scheme; and

(d) if so, the details and the outcome thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
(SHRIMATI MANEKA SANJAY GANDHI)

(a)&(b): No, Madam. As per record, UNICEF had earlier been providing material support to Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme. At present, only technical support is being provided by UNICEF to ICDS Scheme.

(c)&(d): Rapid Survey on Children (RSOC) was commissioned by the Ministry of Women and Child Development across 29 States during 2013-14 with technical assistance from UNICEF, India. The State-wise percentage of stunted and underweight children below five years according to UNICEF survey and the change in the percentage when compared to the data of NFHS-3 (2005-06) is Annexed.

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